# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TRIBAL AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3023
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2016
Funds for Vocational Training Centres
Bhagat Shri Bodh Singh

**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) the salient features of the scheme EDU: Vocational Training Centres in Tribal Areas;

(b) the funds allocated and released under the said scheme to various States during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise including Madhya Pradesh;

(c) whether the funds sanctioned under the scheme are yet to be released to certain States particularly Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the sanctioned funds are likely to be released and the steps being taken by the Government to release these funds at the earliest?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JASWANTSINH BHABHOR)

(a) The salient features of the scheme EDU: Vocational Training Centres in Tribal Areas are:
i. It is a Central Sector Scheme being implemented through the State Governments/UT Administrations, Institutions or Organizations set up by Government as autonomous bodies, educational and other institutions like local bodies and cooperative societies and Non-Governmental Organizations etc.
ii. The scheme is exclusively for benefit of the Scheduled Tribes as well as PTGs.
iii. The capacity of each vocational training center is 100 or more trainees.
iv. Each center may cater to five vocational courses in traditional or other skills depending upon the employment potential of the area.
v. Each tribal boy/girl is trained in one trade of his/her choice, the course being of maximum six months' duration.
vi. Each Vocational Training Centre set up under the Scheme running five trades will provide training to 100 or more trainees.
vii. The funding under this scheme is provided in following two ways: By setting up and running VTCs mainly in remote areas/ rural areas deficient in facilities; and by supporting vocational training for STS in already existing institutions in townships/ districts, etc.

(b) The funds allocated and released under the scheme of Vocational Training Centre to various States during last three years is as under:
(Rs. in lakh)

| Sl. No. | State / UT | 2013-14 | 2014-15 | 2015-16 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Assam | 276.21 | 485.70 | 900.00 |
| 2. | Gujarat | 0.00 | 0.00 | 605.76 |
| 3. | Madhya Pradesh | 150.74 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 4. | Mizoram | 69.68 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Total | | 496.63 | 485.70 | 1505.76 |

The scheme of Vocational Training Centre is demand driven. Release of funds is considered only upon receipt of proposal from State, subject to fulfillment of requisite conditions. No funds have been released during the current year.
(c) No funds are pending to be released to any State including Madhya Pradesh under the scheme of Vocational Training Centres.
(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

****